

To: Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee

From: Martin's News

Re: Please support HB 7054, An Act Concerning Keno

Date: 4/14/2015

Please support HB 7054, Support the Act concerning Keno. This bill is very important to my retail business. As a lottery agent for over 30 years, we have endured many struggles to be maintaining profitability. The cost of doing business in Connecticut and employing competent people is significant. It takes the same man power and time to process a lottery ticket that it did in 1980. But, payroll and expenses have gone up significantly while our commission has changed very little. A quick sale item like Keno would drastically make each lottery transaction profitable. 5 cents a ticket doesn't go that far, but a volume increase in sales would make a huge difference to our bottom line.

Thank You

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